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1. A well-informed source stated on 14 February 1947 that Alexander Bogomolov would be replaced as Soviet Ambassador in Paris. His recall is said to be due to the fact that he has shown too much personal initiative and has not kept Moscow sufficiently well informed, particularly in regard to the preliminary negotiations between the French and British concerning the French-British pact. It is said that he did not report on the pact until Blum went to London. Vishinsky also criticized Bogomolov for not providing better information during the Paris Peace Conference.

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2. Source believes that Bogomolov's successor will be a relatively unknown party functionary who will be allowed very little latitude in matters affecting Russian foreign policy in France.

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